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[1B.](#) SEPTEMBER GAERC POINTS FROM INTELLIPEDIA

Classified By: DCM Jonathan R. Cohen, reasons 1.4 (b) and (d)

[11.](#) (C) On September 10, Poloff delivered reftel points to Cyprus MFA European Correspondent Helena Mina. Mina welcomed the USG positions on the Eastern Partnership and Georgia, but stated that the GOC had no feedback to share on these issues at present. On the situation of IDPs in Sri Lanka, Mina stated that she was unsure whether the issue would be raised at the GAERC, but acknowledged the situation was both unfortunate and in urgent need of resolution. On the issues already discussed in advance of the Gymnich (Israel-Palestine peace, Iran and Afghanistan/Pakistan), Mina had little new information to share, but did relate that the non-paper on Afghanistan and Pakistan circulated by the Swedes was discussed at the Gymnich and ideas for making it more focused were shared by the EU Foreign Ministers. Nevertheless, Mina stated that the anticipated strategy paper has still not yet been prepared, and therefore, it would probably not be discussed at the September GAERC.

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